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SETTING UP OF PRIMARY HEALTH CENTRES IN BACKWARD VILLAGES
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government proposes to set up Primary Health Centres/ Family Welfare Centres in all the villages, particularly backward villages of the country;

(b) if so, number of the villages where Primary Health Centres have not been set up so far, State-wise;

(c) the funds provided by the Union Government for setting up of new Primary Health Centres as on date during each of the last three years and current year, State-wise; and

(d) the number of Primary Health Centres targeted to be set up during the next financial year and the funds allocated for this purpose?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. ANBUMANIRAMDOSS)

(a) Under National Rural Health mission, it is envisaged to set up Sub-centres, Primary Health Centres(PHCs) as per 2001 population norms. The population norm followed is 30,000 populatin in general areas and 20,000 in tribal/hilly/desert areas.

(b) As against the requirement of 26022 PHCs, 22669 PHCs are functioning in the country at present with shortfall of 4803 PHCs as per 2001 population norms as on March, 2006. State /UT-wise status of shortfall is at Annexure-I.

(c) &(d) Funds out of Health State Plan Outlays are utilized, inter-alia, for setting up of PHCs by the State/UT Governments. State-wise allocation and expenditure of the Health Outlay is at Annexure-II.